



219-155
#12
Bill

PATENTS 1-301

Attorney Docket Number 47508.423

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	W.-Q. Zhou and S. Agrawal	Art Unit:	1635
Serial No.:	09/283,431	Examiner:	K. Lacourciere
Filing Date:	April 1, 1999		
Title:	Mixed Backbone Oligonucleotides Containing POPS Blocks to Obtain Reduced Phosphorothioate Content		

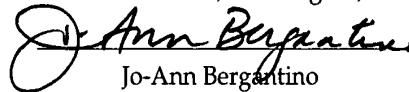
Box AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to **Box AF**, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

12/27/00

Date of Signature and
of Mail Deposit


Jo-Ann Bergantino

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Dear Commissioner for Patents:

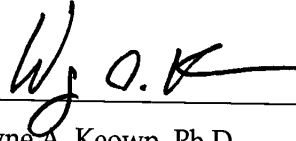
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Patent Examiner mailed June 29, 2000, finally rejecting claims 4-6, a response to which is enclosed herewith.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0219 the required fee of \$ 155.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (b), reflecting the Small Entity Status of the application.

01/04/2001 WPHILLIP 00000001 000219 09283431
01 FC:219 155.00 CH

No other fees are believed to be due. However, please charge any fees or apply any credits to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wayne A. Keown', written over a horizontal line.

Wayne A. Keown, Ph.D.
Reg. No. 33,923

December 27, 2000

HALE AND DORR LLP
60 State Street
Boston, MA 02109
Tel: (617) 526-6771
Fax: (617) 526-5000